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TAGS: PINT MOPS VS

SUBJECT: LONG BINH AMMO DUMP HIT BY SAPPERS

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

FOL TEL SENT ACTION IMMEDIATE SAIGON FRON BIEN HOA DTD JUNE
1, 1973 RPTD TO YOU FOR YOUR INFO

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L BIEN HOA 0159

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1. RESIDENTS OF BIEN HOA AND ITS IMMEDIATE ENVIRONS WERE LITERALLY JOLTED OUT OF BED EARLY THIS MORNING AS A RESULT OF A SERIES OF THUNDEROUS EXPLOSIONS FROM THE AMMO DUMP IN LONG BINH. THE INITIAL EXPLOSION OCCURED AT ABOUT FIVE O' CLOCK, FOLLOWED BY TWO MORE AT HALF- HOUR INTERVALS. OUR STAFF RESIDENCE SUFFERED SIZEABLE WINDOW DAMAGE; SIMILAR DAMAGE AT MY RESIDENCE, THOUGHT NOT AS EXTENSIVE. THE ONLY AMERICAN CASUALTY WAS MY WIFE'S NERVES.

2. THE VIETNAMESE WERE NOT AS LUCKY, HOWEVER. MR 3 DEPUTY CG BG DAO BUY AN THIS MORNING TOLD ME THAT CURSORY CHECK REVEALED 3 RF WIA AND THAT THERE MAY BE SOME KIA WHO WERE PRESUMABLY INSIDE BUILDING WHICH WAS 100 PERCENT DESTROYED.

3. AN ATTRIBUTES EXPLOSIONS TO WORK OF COMMUNIST SAPPERS. HE TOLD ME THAT AGENTS HAD REPORTED HIGH- POINT WAS TO START YESTERDAY AND THAT SAPPERS WOULD BE USED TO BLOW UP KEY INSTALLATIONS. HE SAID THAT HE PERSONALLY HAD NOTIFIED 3 RD ALC COMMANDER TO BE ON THE ALERT AND TO TIGHTEN HIS SECURITY IN AND AROUND THE LONG BINH AMMO DUMP.

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